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SUBJ: CHILE'S POSTURE IN THE UN

1. ADMIRAL ISMAEL HUERTA, CHILE'S DELEGATE AT THE UN,
HAS RETURNED TO SANTIAGO FOR THE CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS
AND MET WITH PRESIDENT PINOCHET DECEMBER 22. IN HIS
SUBSEQUENT PRESS BRIEFING, HUERTA PRESENTED A POINT OF VIEW
WHICH REFLECTS CHILEAN OFFICIAL THINKING REGARDING THE
RESULTS OF THE LAST UNGA.

2. POINTS MADE BY HUERTA INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING:

A. CHILE HAS NO OBJECTION TO BEING OPEN TO THE WORLD
(AS REGARDS HUMAN RIGHTS) BUT ALL COUNTRIES MUST BE
SIMILARLY OPEN; CHILE REJECTS THE IDEA THAT THERE SHOULD
BE DISCRIMINATION AGAINST IT ALONE.

B. AS FOR THE US VOTE AGAINST CHILE IN THE UN ON
HUMAN RIGHTS, THE MATTER IS QUITE COMPLICATED:US IS
IN "A PRE-ELECTORAL SITUATION" AND HAS BEEN STRONGLY
INFLUENCED BY THE PERSONALITY OF ITS UN REPRESENTATIVE.
ALTHOUGH THE US VOTED AGAINST CHILE, IT JOINED WITH ALL
THE WESTERN EUROPEAN COUNTRIES IN FAVORING HUMAN RIGHTS

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INVESTIGATIONS ALL OVER THE WORLD.

C. CHILE WILL NOT WITHDRAW FROM THE UN BUT IS GOING TO WORK FOR THE SUCCESSFUL ATTAINMENT OF ITS OBJECTIVES AS ESTABLISHED IN THE CHARTER. IF THE UN DOES NOT SUCCEED IT WILL NOT BE BECAUSE CHILE HAS NOT DONE ITS PART, BUT BECAUSE THE ORGANIZATION HAS MOVED INTO AREAS IN WHICH IT HAS DEMEANED ITSELF - AS IN THE CASE OF HUMAN RIGHTS ACTIVITIES WHICH DISCRIMINATE AGAINST A SINGLE COUNTRY AND AVOID INVESTIGATING MORE POWERFUL COUNTRIES. MARXISTS LEADERSHIP IN UN HELD LARGELY RESPONSIBLE FOR SITUATION.

D. THE UN HAS SUCCEEDED IN CERTAIN AREAS, FOR EXAMPLE THROUGH THE DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (COMMITTEE OF 24), SINCE UN MEMBERSHIP HAS NOW REACHED THE LEVEL OF 145 COUNTRIES; A DIALOGUE HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED ON ECONOMIC MATTERS; BUT ON THE OTHER HAND, IN SUBJECTS SUCH AS DISARMAMENT(UN EFFORTS HAVE BEEN FRUITLESS.
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